Senator Tavares

R E S O L U T I O N

Honoring Second Baptist Church on its One Hundred
Seventy-fifth Anniversary.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 129th General
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to commend Second Baptist Church on
its One Hundred Seventy-fifth Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, Second Baptist Church has offered
its members the pathway to a more meaningful life by illuminating
and demonstrating the precepts on which the church was founded. In
1834, it was voted that local African-American Baptists could
establish their own house of worship as a mission of First Baptist
Church, resulting in the creation of Second Baptist Church, and it
led to the formation of more than ten other area churches; and

WHEREAS, Under the capable leadership of the church's
pastor, Dr. Howard T. Washington, and all those who served before
him, Second Baptist Church has experienced continual growth and
has provided a source of moral guidance and spiritual motivation
for its congregation. The spirit of love and Christian fellowship
that exists among the parishioners not only prevails within the
church edifice itself but also extends beyond those sacred walls
to touch the lives of everyone encountered by these devout
disciples; and

WHEREAS, An occasion such as this is an important milestone
that represents dedication and commitment. For one hundred
seventy-five years, the members of Second Baptist Church have kept
their faith alive in the Greater Columbus community, and on this

special anniversary, they have accepted the challenge of carrying
their beliefs into the future; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 129th
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, applaud
Second Baptist Church on its One Hundred Seventy-fifth Anniversary
and pay tribute to all those joining in the celebration of this
joyous event; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Second Baptist Church.